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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a are submitted for consideration by the Examiner in the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The full consideration of the references in their entirety by the Examiner is respectfully requested and encouraged. Also, it is respectfully requested that the references be entered into the record of the present application and that the Examiner place his or her initials in the appropriate area on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a, thereby indicating the Examiner's consideration of each of the references.

The submission of the references listed on the Form PTO/SB/08a is for the purpose of providing a complete record and is not a concession that the references listed thereon are prior art to the invention claimed in the patent application.

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Attorney Docket: 46107-0098 The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (a) within three months of the filing date of the patent application, (b) within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 of the international application, or (c) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. after (a), (b), or (c) above, but before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution of the application, and is accompanied by one of: the Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (see "Certification" below). the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) (see "Fees" below).  $\boxtimes$ after the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution but is filed on or before payment of the issue fee, and includes the Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) (see "Certification" below), and the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). **Copies Of The References**  $\boxtimes$ Copies of the foreign references listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a are enclosed herewith. Attached to each reference not in the English language is a concise explanation of the relevance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3).  $\boxtimes$ A copy of the foreign search report is enclosed herewith. The references listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a were previously identified in the parent application(s) of the present application, and copies of the references were furnished at that time. Accordingly, additional copies of the references are not submitted herewith, so as not to burden the file with duplicate copies of references. The Examiner is respectfully requested to carefully review the references in accordance with the requirements set out in the Manual of Patent Examining In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the details of the parent application(s) relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120 in which copies of the references were previously furnished are set out below:

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In re Application of Guoming G. Zhu et al Attorney Docket: 46107-0098 Petition The undersigned attorney hereby petitions the Commissioner to consider this Information Disclosure Statement and the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a in the examination of the above-identified patent application. Fees No fee is owed by the applicant(s). X The \$180.00 Fee is enclosed. **Authorization To Charge Additional Fees** X If any additional fees are owed in connection with this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1061. Respectfully submitted, **DICKINSON WRIGHT PLLC** Date: April 4, 2005 Michael A. Schaldenbrand Reg. No. 47,923 Suite 800 1901 L Street, NW Washington, DC 20036 (248) 433-7570 MAS/cmw **Enclosures** 

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